

GRAND FORKS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING

August 1, 2017 – 4:00 P.M.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment with Commissioners Pic, Falck, Engen and Malm present.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Falck, to approve the minutes of the July 18, 2017 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Falck, to approve the order of agenda, moving the Government Relations Administrator after the consent agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Falck, to approve the consent agenda. Items in the consent agenda included: bills as submitted by the County Auditor, Check #21142-21272 in the amount of \$851,981.66; employee status changes for John M. Grabanski, David M. Stromberg, Blake C. Buchmeier, Kayla Dunwoody and David J. Wyman; overtime and game of chance permit for Grand Forks Air Force Base, Network 5/6. Motion carried unanimously.

Tom Ford, Government Relations Administrator, addressed the board.

Moved by Engen, seconded by Falck, to approve the amendment to the Grand Sky Operations Manual. Motion carried unanimously.

Debbie Nelson, Finance and Tax Director, addressed the board on behalf of the Juvenile Detention Administrator.

Moved by Falck, seconded by Engen, to update the Simplex System at a cost not to exceed \$25,000 and to amend the Grand Forks County Risk Safety and Training line item for this purchase. Motion carried unanimously.

Lane Magnuson, County Planner, addressed the board.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Engen, to approve the application of Dorinda Hagen for a Special Use Permit to permit a second dwelling on a parcel for farm help in the SW ¼ of section 34 of Chester Township. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Falck, seconded by Malm, to approve the plat application of Arthur Dubuque for Dubuque Farms Subdivision, consisting of two (2) lots on 5.78 acres in the SE ¼ of section 31, Rye Township. Motion carried unanimously.

Bret Burkholder, Correctional Center Administrator, addressed the board.

Moved by Falck, seconded by Malm, to accept the proposal from ICON Architectural Group for an Architectural Study of the GF County Correctional Center, Phase I - Jail Needs and Options Study, at cost of \$49,200. Motion carried unanimously.

Michele Thiel, Human Resource Director, addressed the board.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Engen, to approve the presented Grand Forks County Leave Policies. Motion carried unanimously.

David Jones, States Attorney, addressed the board.

Moved by Falck, seconded by Malm, to accept the proposal from Diversified Contractors, Inc. to paint and carpet the States Attorney's Office at a cost of \$53,800. This will be paid from Capital Improvements. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Engen, seconded by Falck, to appoint Diane Knauf to fill the County Commission unexpired term, effective September 5, 2017, subject to criteria of the NDCC. The term will expire in 2018. Motion carried unanimously.

Diane Knauf thanked the County Commission for their appointment.

Kari Goelz, Emergency Manager, said she and Tom Ford, Government Relations Administrator, would like to nominate Michele Thiel, Human Resource Director, for the ND Association of Counties Excellence in County Government Award.

Moved by Engen, seconded by Falck, to nominate Michele Thiel, Human Resource Director, for the ND Association of Counties Excellence in County Government Award. Motion carried unanimously.

Roland Young addressed the board regarding the South Forks Connection Coalition.

Moved by Malm, seconded by Engen, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 5:33pm. The next meeting will be held on August 15, 2017.

Cynthia Pic, Chair
Grand Forks County Commission

Debbie Nelson, County Auditor